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**National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
TASK FORCE RECOMMENDATION**

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE: Regulatory/Warning Sign TC

TASK FORCE: Part 2B Signs without language

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REQUEST NUMBER

TOPIC: Part 2B Signs without language

ORIGIN OF REQUEST: NPA R/W Sign issues - FHWA

DISCUSSION: A review of the 2003 MUTCD and 2004 SHS revealed ten regulatory signs without language in the MUTCD.

Problem statement:

Provide language for all signs in Part 2B.

Response:


A review of the 2003 MUTCD and 2004 SHS revealed the following ten regulatory signs without language in the MUTCD:

- METRIC (R12-6) Plaque
- RUNAWAY VEHICLES ONLY (R4-10) sign
- Green Circle
- TO ONCOMING TRAFFIC (R1-2a) sign
- STAY IN LANE (R4-9) sign
- 2 HR PARKING (R7-108) sign
- Combined NO PARKING and 1 HR PARKING (R7-200) sign
- Emergency Snow Route (R7-203) sign
- NO STOPPING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-6) sign
- THIS SIDE OF SIGN (R7-202) sign - Section 2B.41

Proposal

It is recommended that the MUTCD be corrected to address language omission.

RECOMMENDED WORDING:

 = changes on 1/18/06 by RWSTC

1. METRIC (R12-6) Plaque - Sections 2B.32, 2B.49

The sign is shown in Figures 2B-8 and 2B-20

Add following to **Section 2B.32 Slow Moving Traffic Lane Signs (R4-5, R4-6)**:

Option:

The METRIC (R12-6) plaque may be mounted above a TRUCK LANE sign when the distance shown to the truck lane is posted in metric units.

Add following to **Sections 2B.49 Weight Limit Signs (R12-1 through R12-5)**:

Guidance:

The METRIC (R12-6) plaque should be mounted above weight limit signs when load limits are posted in metric units.

2. RUNAWAY VEHICLES ONLY (R4-10) sign - Section 2B.XX

The sign is referenced in Section 2C.13, Truck Escape Ramp Signs and shown in Figure 2B-8.

Create a new section with the following language:

Section 2B.XX RUNAWAY VEHICLES ONLY (R4-10) Sign

Guidance:

A RUNAWAY VEHICLES ONLY (R4-10) sign should be installed near a truck escape (or runaway truck) ramp entrance to discourage other road users from entering.

Change **Section 2C.13 Truck Escape Ramp Signs (W7-4 Series)**: as follows:

Guidance:

Where applicable, truck escape (or runaway truck) ramp advance warning signs (see Figure 2C-2) should be located approximately 1.6 km (1 mi), and 800 m (0.5 mi) in advance of the grade, and of the ramp. A sign also should be placed at the gore. A RUNAWAY VEHICLES ONLY (R4-10) sign (see [Section 2B.XX](#) and Figure 2B-8) should be installed near the ramp entrance to discourage other road users from entering. No Parking (R8-3) signs should be placed near the ramp entrance.

3. Green Circle - Sections 2B.52, 2B.53

Signs incorporating the green circle are shown in Figure 2B-21 and discussed in Sections 2B.52 and 2B.53

No need for additional language as current language in Sections 2B.52 and 2B.53 is appropriate.

4. TO ONCOMING TRAFFIC (R1-2a) signplaque - Section 2B.10

The sign is shown in Figure 2B-1.

Insert the following Option in **Section 2B.10 STOP Sign or YIELD Sign Placement***(It should be noted that the title of Section 2B.10 is as shown in the currently published version of the 2003 MUTCD; the NCUTCD approved modifications at the June 2004 meeting.):*

Option:

The TO ONCOMING TRAFFIC (R1-2a) signplaque may be mounted below the YIELD sign.

5. STAY IN LANE (R4-9) sign - Section 2B.XX

The sign is referenced in Section 6F-11 and shown in Figure 2B-8.

Create a new section with the following language:

Section 2B.XX STAY IN LANE (R4-9) Sign

Option:

A STAY IN LANE (R4-9) sign may be used on multi-lane highways to direct road users to stay in their lane until conditions permit shifting to another lane.

6. 2 HR PARKING (R7-108) sign - Sections 2B.39, 2B.40

The sign is shown in Figure 2B-16.

Revise Section 2B.39 as follows:

Section 2B.39 Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs (R7 and R8 Series)

Support:

Signs governing the parking, stopping, and standing of vehicles cover a wide variety of regulations, and only general guidance can be provided here. The word “standing” when used on the R7 and R8 series of signs refers to the practice of a driver keeping the vehicle in a stationary position while continuing to occupy the vehicle. Typical examples of parking, stopping, and standing signs (see Figures 2B-16 and 2B-17) are as follows:

- A. NO PARKING ANY TIME (R7-1);
- B. NO PARKING 8:30 AM TO 5:30 PM (R7-2);
- C. NO PARKING EXCEPT SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS (R7-3);

- D. NO STANDING ANY TIME (R7-4);
- E. ONE HOUR PARKING 9 AM-7 PM (R7-5);
- F. NO PARKING LOADING ZONE (R7-6);
- G. NO PARKING BUS STOP (R7-7, R7-107, R7-107a);
- H. RESERVED PARKING for persons with disabilities (R7-8, R7-8a, R7-8b);
- I. 2 HR PARKING (R7-108);
- J. NO PARKING ANYTIME /ONE HOUR PARKING 9AM – 7 PM (R7-200);
- K. TOW-AWAY ZONE (R7-201, R7-201a);
- L. EMERGENCY SNOW ROUTE NO PARKING IF OVER 2 INCHES (R7-203);
- M. ~~F~~ NO PARKING ON PAVEMENT (R8-1);
- N. ~~J~~ NO PARKING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-2);
- O. ~~K~~ NO PARKING (R8-3);
- P. ~~L~~ No Parking (R8-3a); ~~and~~
- Q. ON PAVEMENT (R8-3c);
- R. ON BRIDGE (R8-3d);
- S. ~~M~~ NO STOPPING ON PAVEMENT (R8-5); ~~and~~
- T. NO STOPPING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-6)

Revise Section 2B.40 as follows:

Section 2B.40 Design of Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs

Support:

Discussions of parking signs and parking regulations in this Section apply not only to parking, but also to standing and stopping.

Standard:

The legend on parking signs shall state applicable regulations. Parking signs shall conform to the standards of shape, color, and location (see Figures 2B.16 and 2B.17).

Where parking is prohibited at all times or at specific times, the basic design for parking signs shall have a red legend and border on a white background (Parking Prohibition signs). Where only limited time parking or parking in a particular manner are permitted, the signs shall have a green legend and border on a white background (Permissive Parking signs).

- 7. Combined NO PARKING and 1 HR PARKING (R7-200) sign - Sections 2B.39, 2B.40

The sign is referenced in Section 2B.40 and shown in Figure 2B-16.

Revise Section 2B.39 as follows:

See #6 above.

No revision required in Section 2B.40

8. Emergency Snow Route (R7-203) sign - Sections 2B.39, 2B.40

The sign is referenced in Section 2B.40 and shown in Figure 2B-16.

Revise Section 2B.39 as follows:
See #6 above.

Revise **Section 2B.40 Design of Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs**, Guidance as follows:

Guidance:

Parking signs should display the following information from top to bottom of the sign, in the order listed:

- A. The restriction or prohibition;
- B. The times of the day that it is applicable, if not at all hours; and
- C. The days of the week that it is applicable, if not every day.

If the parking restriction applies to a limited area or zone, the limits of the restriction should be shown by arrows or supplemental plaques. If arrows are used and if the sign is at the end of a parking zone, there should be a single-headed arrow pointing in the direction that the regulation is in effect. If the sign is at an intermediate point in a zone, there should be a double-headed arrow pointing both ways. When a single sign is used at the transition point between two parking zones, it should display a right and left arrow pointing in the direction that the respective restrictions apply.

Where special parking restrictions are imposed during heavy snowfall, **Snow Emergency Snow Route (R7-203)** signs ([see Figure 2B.16](#)) should be installed. The legend will vary according to the regulations, but the signs should be vertical rectangles, having a white background with the upper part of the plate a red background.

9. NO STOPPING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-6) sign - Sections 2B.39, 2B.40

The sign is shown in Figure 2B-16.

Revise Section 2B.39 as follows:
See #6 above.

Revise **Section 2B.40 Design of Parking, Standing, and Stopping Signs**, Guidance, last paragraph as follows:

In rural areas, the legend NO PARKING ON PAVEMENT (R8-1) **or NO STOPPING EXCEPT ON PAVEMENT (R8-5)** is generally suitable and may be used. If a roadway has paved shoulders, the NO PARKING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER sign (R8-2) **or NO STOPPING EXCEPT ON SHOULDER (R8-6)** may be used as it is less likely to cause confusion. The R8-3a symbol sign or the word message NO PARKING (R8-3) sign may be used to prohibit any parking along a given highway. Word message supplemental plaques ([see Figure 2B-17](#)), such as ON PAVEMENT (R8-3c) or ON BRIDGE (R8-3d), may be mounted below the R8-3 or R8-3a sign.

10. THIS SIDE OF SIGN (R7-202) signplaque - Section 2B.41

The sign is referenced in Section 2B.41 and shown in Figure 2B-16

Revise Section 2B.41 Placement of Parking, Stopping, and Standing Signs, Standard as follows:

Standard:

If the signs are mounted at an angle of 90 degrees to the curb line, two signs shall be mounted back to back at the transition point between two parking zones, each with the appended message **THIS SIDE OF SIGN (R7-202)**.

VOTE: For = Unanimous
Opposed =
Abstentions =